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## Professors to debate global warming's consequences

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Two UNO professors will debate the issue of global warming and what impact climate change will have on the world, in a forum on Thursday.

Bruce Johansen, a journalism professor, and Robert Smith, a chemistry professor, will debate at noon Thursday at the Omaha Press Club, located on the 22nd floor of the

First National Center at 1620 Dodge St. downtown.

The global warming forum will give the community a chance to hear two sides of the debate. Johansen is an advocate for awareness of the dangers of global warming. Smith will challenge Johansen's ideas about an increase in global temperature.

The Omaha Press Club has been hosting forums for years and chooses topics that are of interest to the public.

This week's forum will be mediated by retired chair of the communications department Hugh Cowdin.

Cowdin, who helped select the topic for the forum, said the Omaha Press Club recognized that during the past election, Barack Obama and John McCain didn't speak at any length about global warming. He said the Press Club would like to help bring the subject to light.

The UNO professors that the club invited are considered to be local experts in global warming.

Smith has been teaching in the chemistry department for the past 18 years and takes the position that carbon dioxide will not drastically impact the world.

Johansen has been teaching at UNO since 1982. He has published many articles and books on the subject. His most recent publication is a book titled, "The Global Warming Combat Manual." Johansen's argument will center on the topic of thermal inertia.

Although there aren't huge changes yet, Johansen said, it is just a matter of time before global warming affects us in the future.

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## Mavs fall to Gorillas in heartbreaking 33-21 loss in first round

**MICHELLE BISHOP**  
PHOTO EDITOR

For a few moments, it looked as if UNO might get the monkey off its back.

That was until Gorillas' quarterback Mark Smith thundered in for the game-clinching 22-yard touchdown run with 2:10 remaining in the fourth quarter. That play sent Pittsburg State to a 33-21 win over UNO in the first round of the Division II Football Championships on Saturday.

The Mavs have now dropped six straight playoff games, dating back to 2001.

No. 24 UNO (7-4) clung to a one-point lead with eight minutes to go, but couldn't get any critical first downs and gave up two late touchdowns.

In the fourth quarter, UNO appeared to sway the momentum and briefly quiet the less than capacity crowd of 4,933 fans on a cold windy day at Carnie Smith Stadium in Pittsburg, Kan.

UNO grabbed the go-ahead score when quarterback Zach Miller connected with Brian McNeill for a 27-yard touchdown pass on third-and-14 to make it 21-20 UNO with 13:05 remaining. The score capped a six-play, 88-yard drive.



The Maverick football team held a pep rally Friday before heading to Pittsburg, Kan., to face the Pittsburg State Gorillas in the first round of the NCAA Division II Football Championships. (MIKE BELL/THE GATEWAY)

No. 10 Pitt State went ahead on backup tailback Brandon Clark's third touchdown of the game, a 3-yard run with 5:27 remaining.

Pitt State got two chances at a two-point conversion when UNO was whistled for pass interference on the first attempt. The Mavs then stopped Smith at the 1-yard line on the second attempt to keep the score 26-21.

UNO had a chance to respond as Miller threw long to Kelvin Nesbit on a third-and-18 situation. Nesbit, who was wide open near midfield, was pressured to turn over his other shoulder and the ball bounced off his outstretched hands.

After forcing UNO to punt, Smith scored on a 32-yard touchdown run sending UNO to its fourth consecutive playoff

loss.

The Gorilla defense had little problem holding UNO's offense in check, giving up just 258 yards of total offense — including 90 yards passing and 168 on the ground. Entering the game, UNO featured the third-highest rushing average in Division II at 280 yards per game.

Back in the first quarter, both teams took turns converting

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## Demonstrators rally, protest California's gay marriage ban

**TOM MCCAULEY**  
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Drivers on Dodge Street Saturday might have heard protestors chanting: "What do we want?" "Equality!" "When do we want it?" Now!

UNO alumnus Dave Steinbeck led cheers at the Memorial Park Bridge Saturday afternoon as part of a rally against the recently passed Proposition 8, a California state amendment that denies gay couples the right to marry.

The amendment overruled a recent California Supreme Court decision recognizing equal marriage as a fundamental American right. It may invalidate thousands of legal marriages that have taken place since the June 2008 ruling.

Despite temperatures hovering in the mid-30s, biting winds and occasional snow flurries, more than 200 Nebraskans went to the bridge around noon to show their support for equal marriage.

A diverse crowd came to protest

the amendment many lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender citizens and their allies see as an outrage to Americans' rights.

"When even one person isn't given equal rights, none of us have equal rights," said UNO junior Nikola Jordan, who created the Facebook event "Repeal Prop 8 Rally," which helped gather supporters.

"I think people are beginning to realize that," Jordan said.

To deafening honks and cheers from passing cars, protestors waved colorful signs with slogans like "Gay marriage is a civil rights issue," "Tolerance means family values" and "Did we vote on your marriage?"

The overpass shook with the weight of demonstrators. It even prompted jokes that the bridge would collapse. One man held a rainbow flag with an American flag.

The turnout at Omaha's rally wildly exceeded Jordan's expectations. Her eyes filled with tears as she walked on the overpass jam-packed with supporters.

"When we first started organizing, we thought there'd be 20 people here total," Jordan said. "But we had 20 people drive in from Lincoln."

UNL senior Andrew Hassing was one of those people. He returned to his hometown of Omaha Saturday because Lincoln could not find a rally organizer in time for the nationwide protest.

"I figured I might as well come in and support the cause," Hassing said.

Hassing said he heard about the rally from Facebook. Unlike most rallies, which require weeks and months of planning, Saturday's protest was organized rapidly by using MySpace, Facebook, cell phones and word-of-mouth to recruit supporters.

Omaha activist Lindsey Cook organized the rally in tandem with Join the Impact, a grassroots civil rights movement that advocates equal marriage between same-sex couples.

On Saturday, the movement organized simultaneous protests in 300 American cities.

"We're here to support the national protest and show that Omaha is turning progressive," Cook said. "We're fed up with this issue and can't believe that this is still an issue in 2008."

Cook said she was not contacted by Join the Impact, which relies on volunteers to spread

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Protestors gathered on the Memorial Park bridge over Dodge Street on Saturday to show their support for gay marriage, particularly the rejection of Proposition 8, a measure that amended the California state constitution to ban gay marriages. (MIKE BELL/THE GATEWAY)



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## Biblical archaeology conference highlights 'Naked Archaeologist,' lost tomb

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A crowd of religion, history and philosophy scholars gathered Thursday in the Thompson Alumni Center to preview an episode of the History Channel's "The Naked Archaeologist."

The presentation was part of the 10th annual Batchelder Biblical Archaeology Conference, which featured three days of lectures on discoveries of the ancient world in and around Jerusalem.

Simcha Jacobovici, the naked archeologist himself — thankfully clothed, spoke to the crowd about his background and how he got into film.

"We came up with the idea for the show by taking after 'The Naked Chef,'" Jacobovici said. "You keep the show interesting by using very simple recipes that are very tasty. With our show, we delve into biblical history but try to inject a bit of humor and entertainment to keep the crowd awake, really."

Jacobovici, whose films include "The Exodus Decoded" and the controversial "Lost Tomb of Jesus," went on to explain that with his background as an investigative journalist, he was able to approach history in a different way than most scholars.

"By cross-examining history professors, we were able to make great progress in tracking down the Lost Tribes of Israel," Jacobovici said.

Most history documentaries, Jacobovici explained, only feature interviews from one or two experts and simply trust their opinions.

"But since we were able to gather information from forensic scientists and geological specialists, among many others, we came to find that almost 6 million people in Afghanistan claimed to be from one of the lost tribes," Jacobovici said. "How was it that we were able to find them when so many historians said that this entire culture had simply disappeared? It is because they have built up these academic walls between the fields of learning."

Jacobovici said historians rarely talk to geologists or seismologists. He said his technique allowed his team to connect dots no other researchers had managed to connect.

"By talking to many people who are from different professions, we can piece together information so that the average person can understand it," Jacobovici said. "As a filmmaker, I can contribute by connecting some dots. I've been called the Ali G of Archeology."

After the speech, the crowd viewed a new episode of "The Naked Archeologist" focused on the lost Hebrew treasure from King Solomon's second temple

in Jerusalem. These treasures — including the Arc of the Covenant, the Candelabra, the Silver Trumpets of Truth and the Table of Divine Presence — were all located in the temple and considered to be the

outside the building saying that the treasure resides within these walls, it is our best lead by far."

Until the team receives funding, Jacobovici said, possibly the world's greatest collection of treasure waits

rich and powerful were buried in sarcophagi back then — in a support wall on an outside stairwell back in 2006, we knew we were close," Bahat said.

Bahat said finding the sarcophagus jump-started the excavation.

"King Herod's palace here was built inside a dug out hill that now resembles a volcano crater," Bahat said. "Between the palace and city, we found a stretch of land originally believed to be a track for horse racing, but we discovered it was a road that had been built to serve only one purpose. It was Herod's funeral

**To bring history to the public is not an easy thing to do, but biblical archeology educates people.**

Rami Arav

holiest of holies.

The quest for the temple and its treasure led Jacobovici and his team from Jerusalem to Rome. After the Romans sacked Jerusalem in A.D. 70, they took all of the gold, including the artifacts, and paraded them around Rome in what Jacobovici jokingly called the "Via Della Menorah," Italian for the Road of the Menorah.

The relics were then housed in the Temple of Peace, a modern day bus stop, for hundreds of years until Rome was sacked by the Visigoths. By then, most of the treasure was gone — used up to build the Roman Coliseum.

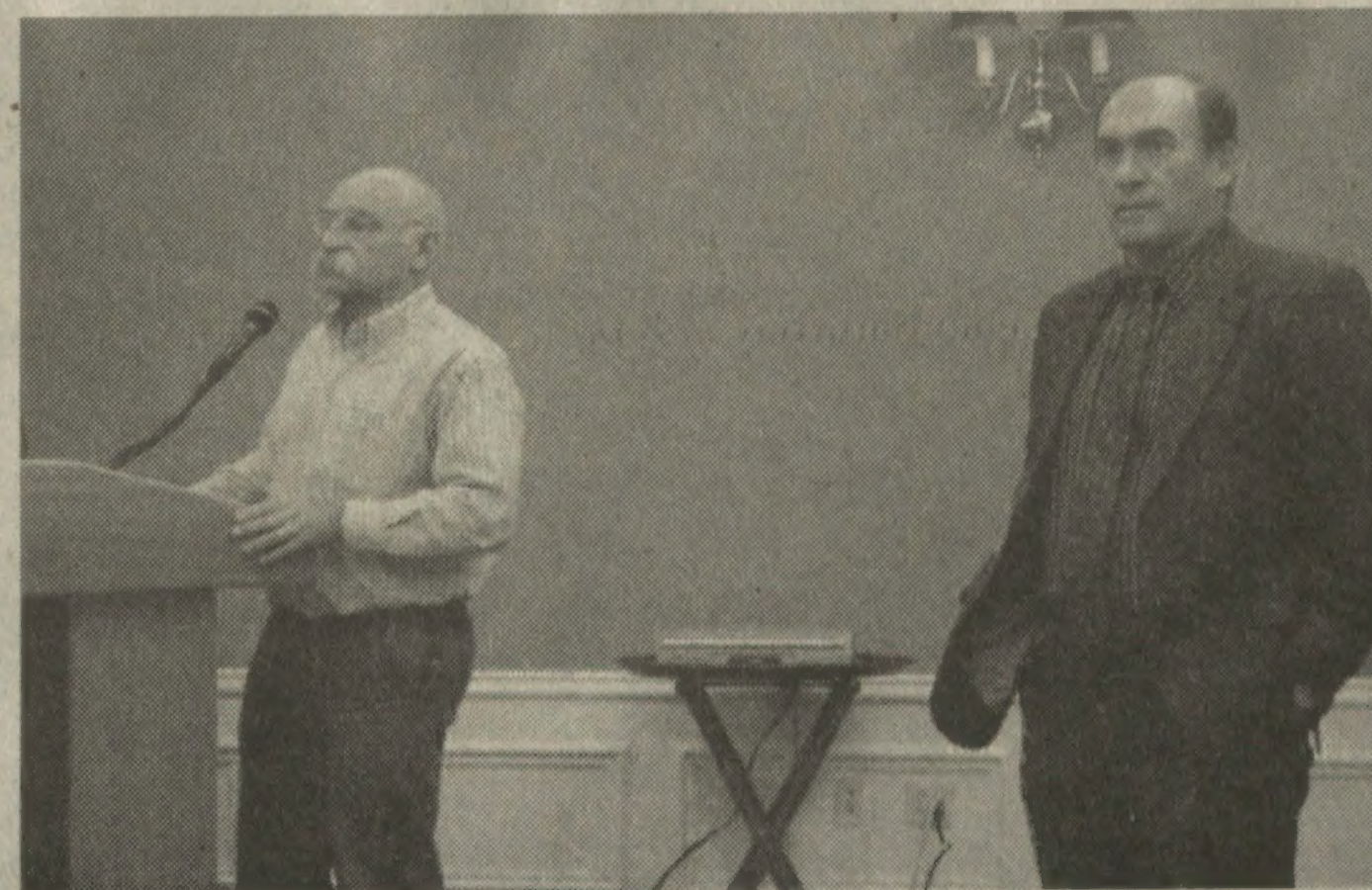
But what of the religious artifacts? After the destruction of Rome, history fails to track their whereabouts.

beneath the sewers of Jerusalem will go unfound, waiting in the cold darkness beneath the desert.

The highlight of the conference,



**Top:** Simcha Jacobovici, host of "The Naked Archaeologist" and film maker, discusses his television program and how the idea for it came to be. (MIKE BELL/THE GATEWAY)



**Left:** Dan Bahat, left, and Rami Arav discuss the Bethsaida dig and the process of archaeological excavation. Bahat is the former chief archaeologist of Jerusalem, and Arav is the director of the dig and a professor at UNO. (MIKE BELL/THE GATEWAY)

The ancient historian Josephus wrote that after being brought to Carthage and then Constantinople, the artifacts were returned back to Jerusalem, according to the episode. No one wanted to keep them because wherever the holy treasure went, the city was destroyed.

Finally, Jacobovici arrived at the ruins of the Church of Nea in Jerusalem. Once an incredibly large structure, it has been reduced to its foundation and is now the site of a school.

Here, according to Dan Bahat, the former chief archeologist of Jerusalem, in the sewers below are vaults holding the treasure.

"It would cost millions of dollars to excavate the ruins and find them," Bahat said. "The stone walls are over 5 meters thick and almost labyrinthine in design. But according to inscriptions found

though, was another keynote by Bahat on the ruins of Bethsaida to discuss the tomb of King Herod, which was recently discovered after a 35-year search at the dig.

Rami Arav, director of the Bethsaida expedition, spoke about the agonizing process that archeology can be.

"Archeology is not Indiana Jones," Arav said. "It is very slow moving and hard work. To bring history to the public is not an easy thing to do, but biblical archeology educates people. It shows them how science and religion function today."

After a 35-year excavation, the tomb of Herod the Great has been found. Bahat showed slides detailing the search and the clues that led them to the burial chamber.

"After finding shards of the royal sarcophagus — and only the

procession path that hadn't even been paved."

Bahat went on to describe the details of how they concluded it was Herod's tomb.

"After following it around the hillside by the crater, we uncovered a 10-by-10-foot podium where his funeral had most likely taken place," Bahat said. "Near there was the mausoleum and thus his tomb."

The team was disappointed to find that the tomb contained no treasure. No booby traps; no giant sarcophagus. Instead, there were just shards of masonry.

So many people hated Herod that after he died, everything with his name on it was vandalized or destroyed, Bahat said. Not a trace was left to serve as a marker.

According to the Bible, Herod tried so hard in life to make his name last by building great cities and massacring thousands of people, but he is remembered only as a bloodthirsty tyrant.

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## CRIME LOG

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Thursday, Nov. 13

**11:10 p.m.** Campus Security responded to a call from a resident assistant at Maverick Village regarding an alcohol violation. Four students were referred for disciplinary action.

**12:45 p.m.** A student reported the theft of university property from her vehicle when parked off campus. Incident occurred between 12 a.m. and 7 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 7.



## Mavs get off to strong start in basketball against Doane

MICHELLE BISHOP  
PHOTO EDITOR

UNO kicked off the basketball season with a 93-50 win over Doane College Saturday evening in front of 579 fans at the Sapp Fieldhouse.

UNO (1-0) raced out to an early 15-6 lead and the Tigers (4-3) came within 19-12, but that's the closest Doane would get. The Mavs finished the half on a 30-13 run to take a 49-25 lead into halftime, on 58.1 percent shooting.

The Mavs continued to pour it on in the second half, as UNO shot more than 48 percent and converted six three-pointers.

UNO finished with a slight advantage in rebounds, edging the Tigers by a margin of 34-32.

Junior Jeff Martin, a Nebraska-Kearney transfer, led the team with 18 points, 12 of which came after halftime. Senior Michael Jenkins added 11 points and tied a career-high with seven assists to lead UNO's offense.

Four other Mavs finished in double figures. Sophomore Mitch Albers contributed 16 points, senior Justin Petersen added 13 and sophomore Aaron Terry and junior Dion Curry each netted 11 points. Curry also grabbed a team-high seven rebounds.

Doane committed 23 turnovers and shot 35 percent from the floor, while UNO shot 53 percent and committed 11 turnovers. UNO hit 11 of 27 attempts from behind the arc.

Doane was led by junior Scott Neuhalfen's 17 points. He was 6-of-9 shooting and made all three of his three-point attempts.

UNO will play its next five games on the road and won't return home until Dec. 9 when they face York College.

The Mavs faced Nebraska-Kearney Monday night in Kearney, but as of press time, results were unavailable.

UNO heads to Pueblo, Colo. this weekend to play in the Al Kaly Shriners' Basketball Classic. UNO faces Western State at 4 p.m. on Friday and host school Colorado State-Pueblo Saturday at 8 p.m.



MICHAEL JENKINS



MITCH ALBERS

## No. 1 Mavs get ready for Kaufman-Brand Open this Friday, Saturday

SCOTT STEWART  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Maverick wrestling team continued non-team events Saturday at the Nichols Open, where junior All-American Jacob Marrs led the Mavs with a third-place finish at 197 pounds.

Finishing with a 5-1 record, Marrs fell to Trevor Brandvold of the University of Wisconsin, but came back to nab third from Tom Block of Minnesota State, Mankato.

Held at Iowa State University, no team scores were kept as the Mavs, ranked No. 1 nationally in Division II in a preseason coaches' poll, battled a variety of opponents.

Sophomore Aaron Denson placed fourth with a 4-2 record at 174 pounds, and redshirt freshman Esai Dominguez came in fifth, also with a 4-2 record, at 149 pounds.

Senior Ross Taplin, wrestling

unattached at 174 pounds, finished third with a 5-1 record. Heavyweight freshman Elijah Madison, also wrestling unattached, finished second with a 4-1 record.

The Nichols Open was the second time the Mav wrestlers have seen action this semester, with Dominguez, Taplin and Madison — among others — all placing in the Daktronics Open on Nov. 8.

The Mavs will next host the Kaufman-Brand Open on Nov. 22 at the Sapp Fieldhouse. The open is the largest one-day collegiate wrestling tournament in the nation.

The day begins at 9 a.m. and will feature some of the best wrestlers and programs in the country in all divisions. About 40 teams and more than 600 wrestlers

are expected to participate in the open.

For complete results from the Harold Nichols Open, visit <http://tinyurl.com/5jnbbls>.



AARON DENSON



JACOB MARRS

## Swimming, diving drops home meet with Kansas

SCOTT STEWART  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The UNO swimming and diving team dropped a 175-76 dual meet to Division I Kansas Saturday afternoon at the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building pool.

The Jayhawks out-swam the Mavs to earn the top two places in 11 of 14 events. UNO rallied for the final three events of the contest — 1-meter diving, 200-yard individual medley and 200-yard freestyle relay.

Sophomore Jessica Connick and freshman Michelle Bene took the two spots respectively in 1-meter diving.

In the 200-yard individual medley, junior Jessica LaFave came in first with a time of 2:09.74. Junior Laura Kemp and senior Lindsey Kline rounded out the top three spots, second and third respectively.

For the final event, the 200-yard freestyle relay, the team of junior Kristy Gmeiner, junior Lucy Zamecnik, senior Katey Howarter and sophomore Cait Hopkins won with a time of 1:35.8.

The team of junior Lisa Elworth, freshman Amy Bechdolt, sophomore Katie Becker and freshman Kylie Hubbell came in second in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

The meet dropped UNO to 3-4, with the Mavs' third straight loss after dropping a dual meet with Truman State and Missouri State in Kirksville, Mo., on Nov. 8. Kansas improved to 5-2 with the win.

The Mavs' next meet will be from Nov. 20 to Nov. 23 for the Husker Invitational in Lincoln, Neb. From there, UNO will wrap up their semester with the Mutual of Omaha Invite on Dec. 5 and Dec. 6, and a meet against South Dakota on Dec. 12.



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# Mavs split home series against Ferris State

## Charleston scores 100th career point during parents' weekend

SCOTT STEWART  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Senior forward Dan Charleston scored his 100th career point Saturday as the Mavs skated to a 4-2 win over Ferris State following a 3-2 setback Friday night.

The weekend split moved UNO to 7-2-1 overall and 3-2-1-1 in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association, including a shootout win against Western Michigan on Nov. 7. The Bulldogs dropped to 5-4-3 overall, with 4-2-2-0 in the CCHA.

Speaking after the game, Charleston credited his teammates for his achievement after scoring a goal and an assist in Saturday night's contest to record his 100th career point.

"You know it's coming, but there's no pressure involved; you just go out and play," Charleston said. "It's a great honor, but it's not just me; it's the team. I can't do it without them. There have been many guys who have been helped out through the years, so hats off to them, too."

Charleston said, in the end, "it's just a number" and the number of wins the Mavs scored was more important than his career points.

Still, Charleston said he was happy to join some "pretty high-caliber players" on the list of 100-point scoring Mavericks. That list has only nine other names and is led by Scott Parse, with 197 career points; Bryan Marshall, with 150; and David Brinson, with 144.

"It's one of those things going into the year that we knew was inevitable," head coach Mike Kemp said. "He's a very talented hockey player and an offensive threat. I was just so happy to get it at home and on parents' weekend – how appropriate, what with all his family here, that he hits that milestone on a night like tonight, so it's big."

Charleston's two points Saturday

couldn't have come at a better time for the Mavs.

Down after a goal by Ferris State's Cody Chupp at the 4:02 mark in the first period, Charleston assisted Rich Purslow on an even-handed goal to start out the second period at the 2:23 mark.

Alex Hudson found Charleston again at the start of the third period, on a power play opportunity following a call against Ferris State's Evan Case for hooking. Charleston was open in front of the net and beat Bulldogs' goaltender Pat Nagle to give UNO a 2-1 lead at the 0:50 mark in the third.

The Bulldogs, as the Mavericks knew from Friday night, weren't ready to go out without a fight – literally and figuratively.

After tying things up 2-2 at the 4:38 mark with a goal by Corey Couturier, Ferris State continued to battle the Mavs. Junior forward Jeric Agosta broke the tie at the 6:27 mark, though, putting the Mavs up 3-2 with an unassisted goal.

The pressure boiled over, with Ferris State's Derek Graham earning a five-minute major and a game misconduct for a check from behind at the 10:22 mark. That play saw two more two-minute minors called on the Mavs' Pasko Skarica and Agosta, as well as one on Couturier.

"One of our players got hit from behind," Agosta, who was penalized for cross-checking, said after the game. "When guys take liberties like that, you've got to step in and show them that, you know what, you can't do stuff like that."

Charleston jokingly added, "That just showed how as a team, we came together again. We're getting better in every area, even fighting."

After the fight, the Mavs held on for the rest of the period, putting the icing on the cake with an empty-net goal by Matt Ambroz in the final seconds of the game to put UNO ahead 4-2 on the night.

On Friday, however, the Mavs suffered



John Kemp (left) skates toward Dan Charleston after Charleston's goal gave UNO a 2-1 lead during Saturday night's game. The goal put Charleston on the list of 100-point scorers at UNO.

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Left: Goalie Jeremie Dupont gets in position to make a save during Friday night's game against Ferris State.

Bottom Left: Joey Martin tackles Ferris State's Justin Menke during Saturday night's game. Martin was whistled for holding on the play.

Bottom Right: Dan Charleston maneuvers around two Ferris State defenders during Saturday night's game. Charleston scored a goal and an assist Saturday night to reach 100 points in his career as a Maverick.



ALL PHOTOS BY MICHELLE BISHOP

their second setback of the season, getting out-competed at certain points in the game after returning from two weeks on the road.

Kemp said the team started strong, but began to get shaky after about 10 minutes of play.

"It's one of those situations where we played well in spurts, but not with consistency for 60 minutes," Kemp said. "We came out with a lot of jump in the first period, played a good, aggressive first half of the first period. Then coming out of our first power play, we sagged a little bit."

The night started with a goal at the 12:31 mark in the first period by Ferris State's Aaron Lewicki. He beat UNO goaltender Jeremie Dupont by putting the puck into the players jostling for position in front of the net.

"The first goal, shot from behind the net, goes off a skate," Kemp said. "That just went off traffic in the front. It was just a throw to the front of the net; it wasn't really a shot."

The Mavs then pulled ahead in the second period, capitalizing on a double

power play after Ferris State's Todd Pococke was given a two-minute minor for interference and Justin Lewandowski a two-minute minor for charging.

Tomas Klempa put the first Maverick goal away at the 9:30 mark with a two-man advantage, and Nick Von Bokern continued the effort at the 10:21 mark with UNO still up one player.

The Bulldogs tied things back up 2-2 before returning to the locker rooms after the second period; however, on a goal at the 16:41 mark by Nate Hennig on a power play after J.P. Platisha went to the box for tripping.

"They made a great play to score the tying goal late in the second on that power play," Kemp said. "Our penalty killers are doing a very good job."

Despite typically being strong in the third period, the Mavs were out-played, Kemp said. Ferris State's Mike Embach scored the game-winning goal at the 8:07 mark, and the Bulldogs kept the Mavericks from scoring again, putting out the 3-2 win.

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Brian McNeill, shown earlier this season, rushed for 104 yards on 15 carries with one touchdown during Saturday's game. (Michelle Bishop/The Gateway)

possessions. Pitt State struck first after Clark punched it in from 1 yard out. The drive covered 80 yards in 6:25.

UNO responded when Miller found Nesbit alone in the end zone on a third-and-20 play. The 21-yard touchdown pass tied the game at 7-7 at the end of the quarter.

A pair of pass interference penalties against UNO aided the Gorillas' next scoring drive, as Clark went on to bully his way in from 2 yards out, putting Pitt State up 14-7. Pitt State's first two drives consumed 13 minutes, 55 seconds of the clock as they finished the game with a 34 to 26 advantage in time of possession.

The Gorillas got the ball back and Nathan Thomas added an 11-yard touchdown run on a lateral pass from Smith at the 4:45 mark of the second quarter to boost their lead 20-7. The snap was bobbled on the point after attempt and a desperate two-point conversion pass failed.

A pair of interceptions by outside linebackers Jacob Chandler and Jeff Souder helped the Mavs stay close to the Gorillas. Chandler's 45-yard touchdown return got UNO within 20-14 late in the first half. Souder grabbed a third-quarter interception in the end zone to halt Pitt State's scoring drive.

Pitt State had one final scoring chance, but Jared Whitter's 46-yard field goal attempt was short and the Mavs trailed 20-14 at the end of the first half.

UNO got the ball to start the second half, but turned it over when McNeill fumbled on the Pitt State 45-yard line. The Gorillas marched within 4 yards of the end zone on the ensuing possession when Souder picked off Smith to end the threat.

The two teams played a scoreless third quarter.

The Gorillas exploded for 503 yards of total offense, racking up 350 rushing yards. Smith collected 365 total offensive yards, while rushing for a career-high 212 yards. He completed 11 of 18 passes for 153 yards.

Clark, filling in for an injured Caleb Farabi, added 78 yards on 19 carries. Farabi, who left the game in the second quarter with a thumb injury, added 12 carries for 51 yards, as well as a team-leading 54 receiving yards.

McNeill rushed for 104 yards on 15 carries for UNO, while Miller added 57 ground yards and completed five of seven passes for 90 yards and a pair of scores.

Zac Keller recorded a team-leading 12 tackles for UNO.

Pitt State (11-1) advances to play in the second-round game at No. 3 Northwest Missouri State (10-1) Saturday at Bearcat Stadium in Maryville, Mo.

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"I was real disappointed in the fact that this was the first time we were really out-competed in the third period," Kemp said. "It wasn't that we didn't have chances in the third period. Our power play had three or four really good looks there, especially the last power play we had. I know that Charleston put a couple of them off the goaltender's shoulder you didn't even see coming off traffic."

Von Bokern said Ferris State deserved credit where credit was due after pulling off the win Friday night.

"You really don't know what to say," Von Bokern said. "You feel like you went out there and boggled, but you know it's just that they got a couple of lucky bounces and got opportunistic at times in front of the net and we didn't do the same. That's why there's a two-game weekend; you've got to go out there and work for your bounces."

When asked whether the Mavs played any differently Friday night than in the previous two weeks, Von Bokern said he thought Ferris State was just a stronger team this season. Last week, the Bulldogs split conference leader Miami, losing after a 2-2 tie in a shootout in the first game and winning 2-1 in the second game.

"It's not that we played any different, it's just that we ran into a good team and their goaltender made some big saves for them at big times, just like our goaltenders have in the past, and that's the name of the game," Von Bokern said. "You've got to be opportunistic at times and you've got to rely on your goaltender, and they just played an all around good offensive game."

The Mavs take the ice at home Friday and Saturday against CCHA rival Michigan State. Both games are scheduled for a 7:05 p.m. face-off.

# Soccer drops first game of NCAA tournament to finish their season

SCOTT STEWART  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Maverick soccer team lost 1-0 to Texas A&M-Commerce in the first round of the NCAA II South Central regional tournament in Warrensburg, Mo., on Friday afternoon.

With the loss, UNO finished its season with an overall record of 13-6-0 and 11-5-0 in Mid-American Intercollegiate Athletic Association play.

The Lions scored the contest's only goal when forward Meagan Lasley beat a Maverick defender, cut to her right and put the ball past UNO goalkeeper Lauren Fox in the lower left corner of the net during the 23rd minute of the match.

Although the Mavs out-shot Texas A&M-Commerce 14-6 and led 8-2 in corner kicks, UNO was unable to beat Lions' goalkeeper Taylor Jordan, who recorded six saves in the match. Lions head coach Neil Piper said in a statement that Texas A&M-Commerce played conservatively to keep the Mavs at bay.

"Once we got the lead, we made the decision to get more defensive," Piper said. "It just happened to work out for us today."

Texas A&M-Commerce went on to defeat Central Missouri, the MIAA conference champions, in the second round of the NCAA II South Central regionals on Sunday.

With the 2-0 win over Central Missouri, the Lions progress to the South Central region final, where they will face MIAA foe Truman State, who won 1-0 over Washburn Sunday afternoon. The South Central region final will take place Nov. 21.

Friday's loss brought to a close the careers of four of the Mavs top offensive players – Casey Bigsby, Amanda Iwansky, MaryClaire Murnan and Tara Wegehaupt.

Bigsby, a forward from Omaha, recorded a total of 22 goals and 14 assists in her four seasons with the Mavs. Murnan, also a forward from Omaha, finished her career with 11 goals and six assists. Iwansky, a midfielder from Columbus, Neb., finished her career with 32 goals and 20 assists, while Wegehaupt, a midfielder from Duluth, Minn., finished with three goals and 13 assists.

Overall, Iwansky holds the fourth best career record for points, scoring 84 between 2005 and 2008. Bigsby was ranked ninth with 58 total points in the same period.

With being knocked out in the first round of postseason action, the Mavs finished a season that saw 11 shutouts with the worst result since 2001. In every year since 2001, the Mavs have made it to at least the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division II national tournament, including winning the national title in 2005.

# Volleyball drops final game, but advances to NCAA tournament

MICHELLE BISHOP  
PHOTO EDITOR

The Mavs dropped their final game of the regular season 3-1 (25-15, 16-25, 25-10, 25-12) to 14th-ranked Central Missouri Friday night. The Mavs struggled as they hit .098 in the match and committed 26 errors.

A Central Missouri regular season record crowd of 1,351 fans packed the UCM Multipurpose Building to watch legendary coach Peggy Martin in her final home match. Martin, the winningest coach in Division II with a record 1,063 wins, is retiring at the end of the season.

None of the Mavs finished in double-figure scoring. Brittany Hannsen, Kelli Goeser, Ellen Thommes and Lizzy Mach each recorded eight kills, with no one hitting above .235. Thommes contributed a team-high three blocks.

Juniors Kayla Jansen and Sara Kampschnieder combined for 29 digs to lead UNO's defensive effort. Freshman Emily Myers added 32 assists and 12 digs.

The Jennies were led by freshman Allie Huffman who recorded a double-double with 14 kills and 10 digs. UCM (28-9, 15-5 MIAA) hit .285 as a team and committed 13 errors.

Junior Caitlin Pankratz had a double-double with 39 assists and 10 digs, while sophomore Rachel Fister chipped in a match-high 27 digs for the Jennies.

The Maverick volleyball squad finishes the regular season with a 16-15 overall record and 12-8 in the MIAA.

UNO picked up the seventh-seed in the final NCAA II South Central Region rankings, released Sunday night.

The Mavs now head to Emporia, Kan., to face second-seed Truman State (29-7) later this week for the first round of the NCAA Division II volleyball tournament.

Truman pulled off a heartbreaking 3-2 (20-25, 25-21, 25-14, 24-26, 15-12) win over the Mavs on Nov. 8 at the Sapp Fieldhouse.

Emporia State (32-3) earned the region's first-seed and the right to host the regional tournament. The winner of the UNO/Truman game will advance to play the winner of third-seed Washburn (30-5) and sixth-seed Central Missouri (28-9).

On the other half of the regional bracket, Emporia State faces eighth-seed Texas Permian Basin (21-13) and fourth seed Pittsburg State (28-7) squares off with fifth-seed West Texas A&M (33-4).

As of press time, game dates and times were not available.

Junior Kayla Jansen gets ready to serve during a recent game. (MICHELLE BISHOP/THE GATEWAY)





## 'Women of Troy' aims to bring history alive

J.L. HOTOVY  
CONTRIBUTOR

The UNO Theatre Department is taking a chunk out of the history books and putting it center stage.

On Nov. 20, UNO will open the production of Euripides' "The Women of Troy" in the Weber Fine Arts Building.

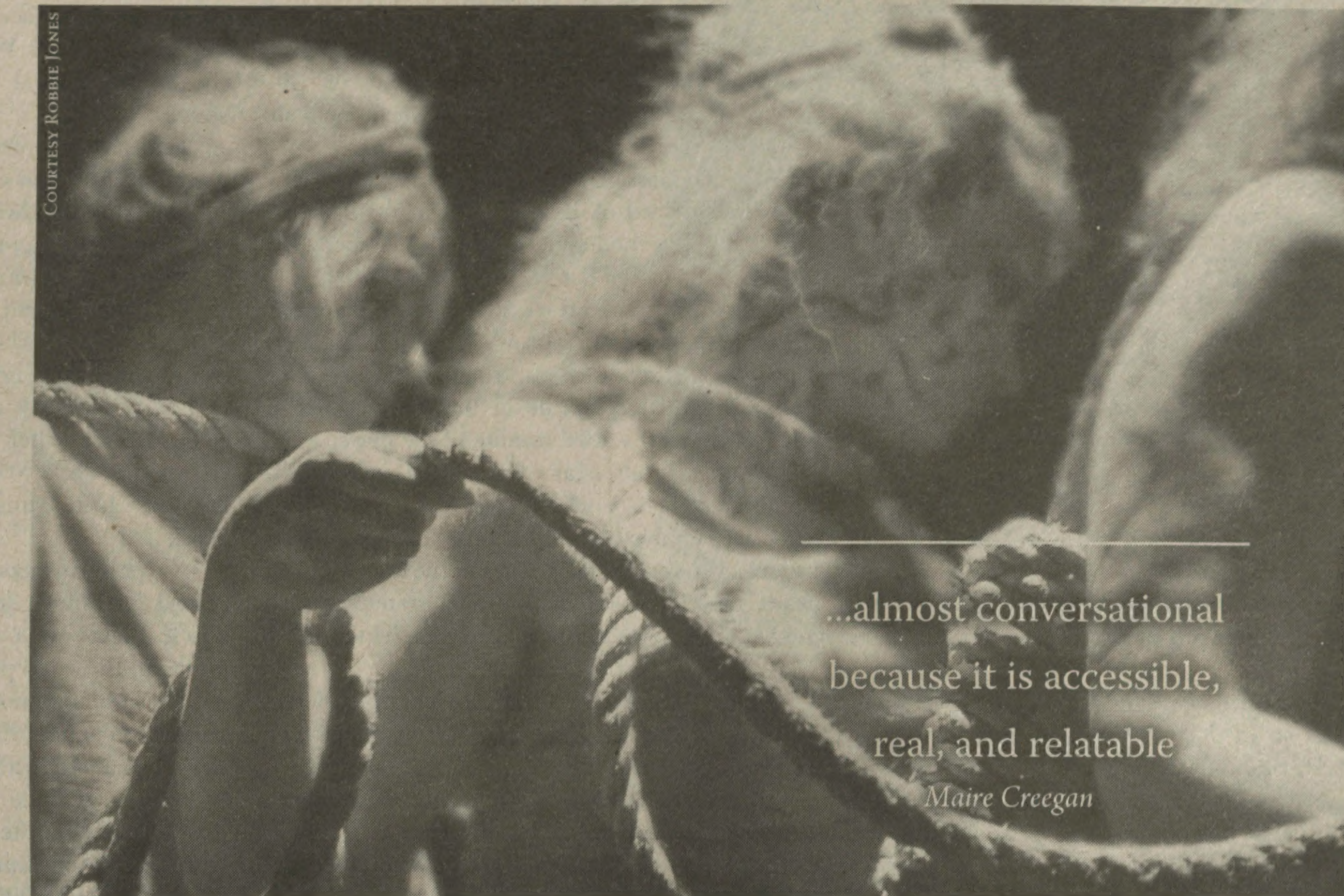
The story picks up after the Greeks attack Troy using the infamous Trojan Horse. Many Trojans are killed, including their leaders. The only women left are going to be enslaved by the Greeks.

As the title indicates, the play is a portrayal of the women left to clean up the mess as they face an uncertain future.

Maire Creegan will make her main stage directorial debut as part of her graduate thesis work.

"The Women of Troy" is a timeless story that still resonates today," Creegan said. "It is about mourning, loss and hope - and what they learn from loss."

Creegan said she



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Maire Creegan

chose Kenneth Cavander's translation of the play over others because it carried the same simplicity as the original piece, yet offered a better adaptation for the stage.

Older translations

were meant for academic discourse, she said. In contrast, Cavander's version seemed to be "almost conversational because it is accessible, real and relatable."

Creegan chose to set

the play in Ireland after drawing on her extensive knowledge of Celtic literature and symbols. The change is due in part because people often have specific views of Greece and Rome and this is a chance

to breathe new life into the play, Creegan said.

"The set should be very exciting for the audience," she said.

Students auditioned for the play in late August and will soon get the chance

to showcase their hard work. Sophomore Amy Schweid plays Cassandra, the daughter of slain King Priam of Troy.

"[Cassandra] looks for justice, not hope," Schweid said.

Sophomore Cameron Byers plays a Greek soldier. He said his character sees women "mainly as property, a defeated people." However, he said, "At times we pity the women."

This acute tension of men versus women that runs throughout the script is what makes this play a powerful and historic tale.

"The Women of Troy" runs Nov. 20 through Nov. 22, as well as Dec. 3 through Dec. 6. After the Dec. 5 show, there will be a talk-back session with the cast, designers and director. This will give audience members a chance to ask questions about the play.

Tickets are on sale at the box office, located on the first floor of the Weber Fine Arts Building. General admission tickets are \$15. Student and senior tickets are \$12.

## 'Twilight' movie ensnares students with vampire love tale

AMBER MCCASKILL  
CONTRIBUTOR

Although "Twilight" may have been a foreign name in the book industry a mere three years ago, the novel that began the series is seeing its largest popularity to date with a movie release adding to its

momentum.

Written by Stephenie Meyer in 2005, "Twilight" has sold more than 17 million copies worldwide. The novel chronicles 17-year-old Isabella "Bella" Swan, who moves to a new city, only to find herself falling in love with a vampire named Edward Cullen.

Danger and romance ensue in this young adult vampire tale that has many people hooked.

The movie version of the first book in the series makes its Omaha premier Nov. 20, at midnight. As the premiere draws near, fans plan to flock to local theaters to experience the next chapter in the "Twilight" journey, including many UNO students.

"I am going to the midnight release," senior Sarah Patomson said. "I bought my tickets last Sunday."

Although some students have no qualms about going to the late night showing, some want to wait in order to fully appreciate the flick.

"I'm not sure I'll be able to make it through the movie if I go to that showing," said senior Rachel Sigler. "I want to be fully awake when I see the movie."

The "Twilight" series currently has four novels on the market with one in the works. It's even earned a place on the New York

Times and USA Today best-seller lists.

But what makes Twilight so popular?

"The series has different genres that appeal to me: adventure, romance and thriller," Sigler said.

Freshman Mary Royers is also a fan of the series, but for a different reason.

"Twilight, to me, is about a story of a true test of love," Royers said. "It's about how nothing can truly stand in the way if people really want to be together."

Students hope that the movie adaptation will have the same undertones and not stray too far off course from the original novel.

"I do have high expectations. I hope that they follow the book closely," Patomson said. "From the previews I've seen and the soundtrack I've heard, it looks [like] how I pictured it to be as I was reading."

The "Twilight" soundtrack may be a good predictor for the upcoming movie's success. The compilation features songs from Paramore, MuteMath, Linkin Park and Collective Soul and is rated No. 1 on the Billboard Top 200 chart.

This is the first time since 2002's "8 Mile" that a movie soundtrack has premiered in the No. 1 slot before its own movie was released.

Twilight was originally slated to be released Dec. 12. After Warner Bros. moved its other highly anticipated novel-to-movie series, "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" to a summer release, however, "Twilight" obtained the highly coveted weekend before Thanksgiving spot in the holiday movie lineup.

Several local theatres around the metro area will conduct the midnight release, including AMC Theatres, Marcus Theatres and the new Rave Theatres at Westroads Mall. Tickets are already on sale online and at some locations.

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## So now what: Change we need is people power, not political fights

Throughout this presidential campaign we were swamped with the mantra of "change." Both candidates ran on the promise of bringing this change to Washington.

Regardless of your politics, it's clear that Barack Obama motivated our generation with his promise of change. A national exit poll by the BBC found that two out of every three votes from the under-30 crowd went to Obama. A large portion of these voters were college students.

So the question is this: now what? We voted for change, but when I woke up Nov. 5, the sky was still blue. None of the problems that affect us disappeared overnight because of the way we voted that historic day.

This will be the same Jan. 20 when Obama is sworn into office. It's not like poverty will be magically erased by Jan. 21.

So what is change, how will it happen and how will we know it has happened?

We have taken the first step, but we are far from finished if we want to see our communities and lives improve. The most fatal step we can make right now is to sit on our hands thinking we have achieved "change."

If we think the government will change things by itself, we will lose the momentum our generation has helped build.

The way to get real change in America is to make it happen yourself. Getting involved in the community and local charities to help better your life and the lives of others is the true answer to change.

If you don't like the way your local park looks, go out and clean it. If you don't think it's OK that people are homeless, volunteer at the Open Door Mission.

This sort of change is real and tangible. This sort of change works. It is grassroots, it transcends party lines and it is a change all humans can get behind.

In the spring of 2008, 13,882 students attended UNO, according to Institutional

Research. Imagine the impact they could have if every student gave just \$1 to a local charity. Think of the impact that could have on our city.

Even better, what if every student volunteered for just one hour a week?

That's 13,882 hours of community service a week, or 721,864 hours a year.

I think if this happened, we would see our city change in a way no politician could ever achieve.

Change is not just something you vote for - it's something you do.

The time of talk is over and the time of action is now.

If we don't like the way things are going, we can't wait for some government agency to do something. The power is in our hands.

Our generation has the potential for great things. We can and we will influence our world in a positive way.

Our cause is righteous; our love is pure; our spirit is undeniable. You voted for change, UNO, so now what?

### The Edge



Steve Coufal

### Deal With It



Dayton Headlee

potential in effort to spite Obama.

Instead of griping and moaning about Obama, let's work to rebuild. Let's begin efforts to challenge Obama in 2012. Let's make plans to win back the House and Senate in 2010.

For those in the metropolitan area, let's ensure a Republican is elected mayor of Omaha, along with a Republican majority on the City Council.

Instead of waiting for Obama to fail, let's try to force him to keep the promises he made that will help America, and lobby against those that will not.

Don't let the Obama administration wiggle out of their promise of tax cuts as Bill Clinton did in 1992. More importantly, let's make sure the Democrats don't

ram through a European-style socialized medicine scheme.

Instead of making fun of Obama, Pelosi and Company, Republicans on campus should explain to our classmates the key differences between the political left and right, and why conservatives have the answers to the problems facing our nation.

Sitting around and complaining won't get us anywhere. Our party is in as sad of shape as it has been in most of our lifetimes. Now isn't the time to give up or give in.

Let's not only help rebuild the Republican Party, but reshape it as the party of our generation and America's future.

## Republicans need to focus on brand rebuilding, stop hoping Obama fails

Jim wonders why so many Americans are so damn stupid.

Sally just saw America go down the crapper: Who wants to move to Canada?

Mike says Barack Obama is not his president.

The Facebook statuses above are indicative of those I found when I checked my account Nov. 5, also known as the Day After Obama Won. (Or, in happier terms, the Day Dayton Got His Life Back.)

While these reactions are not, all-inclusive, they represent the general sentiment of my Republican friends since the defeat of Sen. John McCain by Obama.

While knee-jerk reactions like these come easily after watching the candidate you fought for, stood up for and truly believed was best comes up short, they are not the best line of thought.

Just as important, these sentiments are unbecoming to the Republican brand. As Republicans, we appreciate our nation for all that is great about it, as well as its shortcomings.

While Obama holds views in direct opposition to the fundamentals Republicans hold dear, he is nonetheless our president.

Rooting for Obama to fail is in essence rooting for America to fail. We should hope the Obama administration helps rebuild our economy and moves our nation forward.

We don't have to agree on the best means of reaching these goals, but we can't hope America does not live up to its full

## Hope that Obama will change American attitude toward civil liberties

I'm not sure if he will, due to fear of "flip-flopping" or appearing less tough than Bush on the so-called War on Terror.

If the Obama administration does not fulfill its promise of change, it will follow in its predecessor's footsteps by trading our freedom in for temporary security.

Such a concept is not one that reflects the spirit of a free and prosperous nation, and for all the accusations made against Bush and company these many years, it would be a shame if that concept remained the status quo.

For this reason, I truly hope that Obama is really all that people have made him out to be; I wish him good health and a successful term.

## Hope that Obama will change American attitude toward civil liberties

At the conclusion of what seemed like a never-ending campaign in 2008, voters came out in droves like never before and elected Barrack Obama to be the next president of the United States.

The majority's voice rang loudly across the country and there was great jubilation, but what message did Obama supporters send? They shouted for a change, a shift away from the Bush administration and the unpopular policies that congress had adopted in the past eight years.

Tactics like warrantless searches, seizures and surveillance allowed by the FISA bill and Patriot Acts I and II, the removal of habeas corpus through the Military Commissions Act of 2006 and the continued disregard for posse comitatus - the use of military force for civilian law enforcement - have turned America after 9/11 into an authoritarian state that spits on the Constitution.

What troubled me during the election was that Obama voted for the Patriot Act reauthorization and even the updated FISA bill, despite promising to filibuster and oppose the latter.

As a civil rights lawyer, Obama knew full well that these bills were

unconstitutional, but for some reason, he supported them anyway. Whether he did so to appear "strong" on terrorism or avoid "political suicide" (which is ridiculously backwards), the bills still enable government to raid property at their leisure and telecommunications companies to monitor us without legal recourse.

This shook my personal trust in Obama's promise to stand by his principles and defend American citizens' rights. I did not vote for him or McCain (yes, I still cast

a ballot), but I have no qualms against hoping that our new president will take us far away from the Bush administration.

As Obama said in his speech after winning the election, "This victory alone is not the change we seek, it is only the chance for us to make that change."

The opportunity is definitely there in 2009 for the Democrat-dominant government

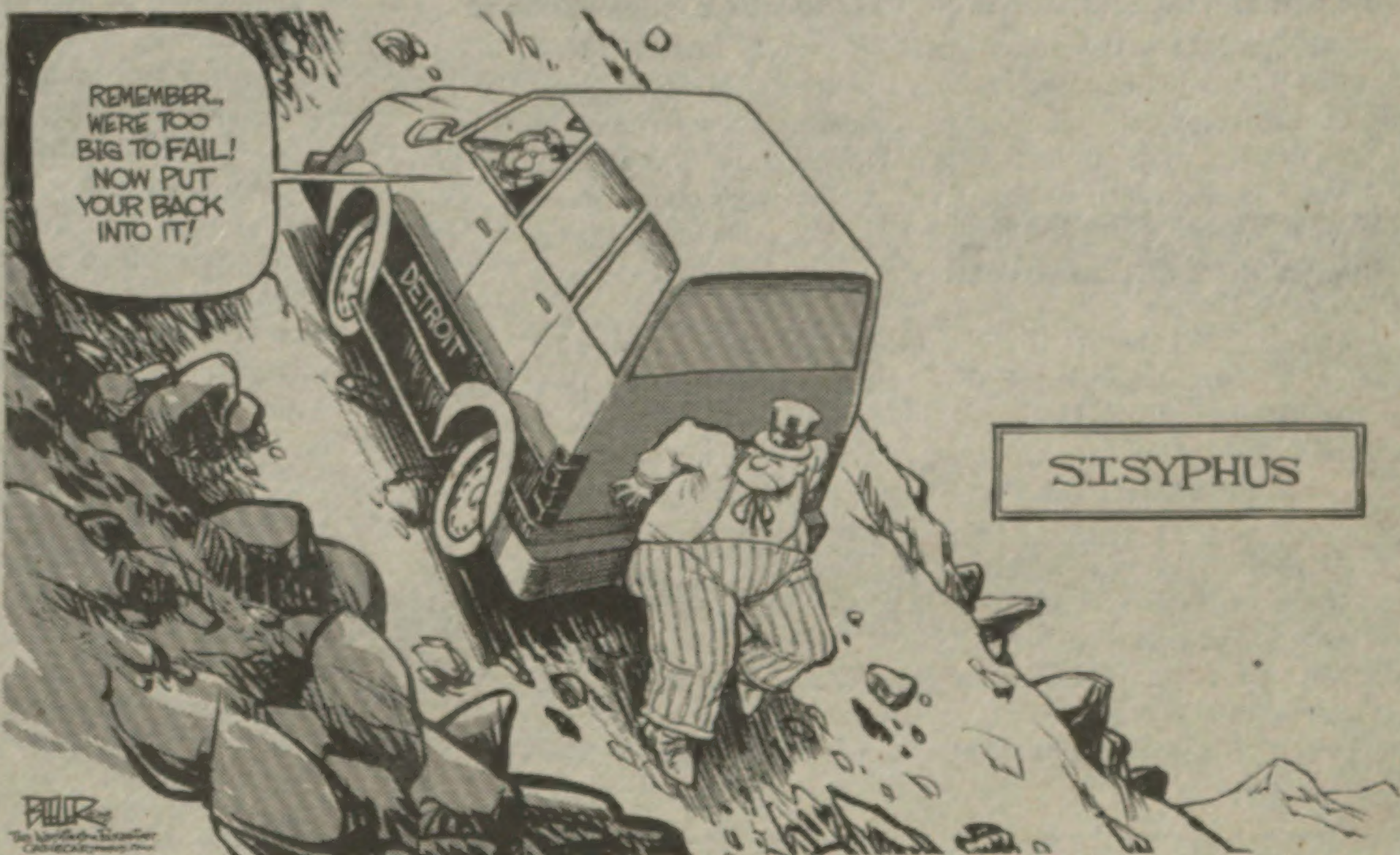
to return the people's civil liberties and help rebuild America.

Pressure from the administration or a lack of numbers in congress can no longer be used as an excuse for failing to properly represent the population.

### Sick and Tired



Bob Vacanti





## FROM FORUM: PAGE 1

There is evidence that whatever damage we are doing today will not show up for the next 50 years.

What we are experiencing right now, Johansen said, is the reaction to the amount of green house gases that were emitted around 1958.

"We debate how long it will take for the toilets to back up in the White House," Johansen said referring to the melting polar ice caps.

Smith will counter Johansen's position. Smith believes global warming has been indoctrinated to us, instead of taught. Global warming is all about the numbers, Smith said.

He will present an argument that water is the leading green house gas and global warming is actually beneficial.

The amount of carbon dioxide in comparison to the amount of water that is affecting global warming is minimal, Smith said. Ice ages are eminent and the next one will happen in the next 2,000 years.

"All models appeal to water changing the temperature as the principle agent for increase in temperatures," Smith said. "I simply want to teach students how to think; and to think properly, they need all the information."

## FROM PROTEST: PAGE 1

its message. Instead, she decided to organize the rally herself upon learning that no one had volunteered.

The rally's tone was deliberately non-confrontational. Protestors waved, cheered and chanted peacefully at Dodge Street traffic. According to the movement's Web site, Join the Impact does not condone divisiveness, violence, scapegoating or disrespect.

In the weeks before and since the success of Proposition 8, negative attitudes have marred discussion on both sides of the debate. Traditional marriage defenders have claimed a Gettysburg-style victory in the war on same-sex marriage, while equal marriage supporters blamed first-time voters and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for the amendment's passage.

Protestors unaffiliated with Join the Impact have boycotted known supporters of the measure, including the Rich Warren, author of "The Purpose Driven Life," and David Leatherby, owner of the Leatherby Family Creamery in Sacramento, Calif.

Though Leatherby supported the amendment for religious reasons, his business has participated in the annual gay pride Rainbow Festival in Sacramento.

"Let's move on," Leatherby said. "I

always told my children that once a rule was made, you have to abide by it. I think it should be the same in this circumstance."

Many supporters of Proposition 8 agree with Leatherby, though West Sacramento Mayor Christopher Cabaldon sees it differently.

"For them to say the voters have spoken and no one should question it is a bit disingenuous," Cabaldon said, citing repeated attempts to pass other initiatives. "They believe in the justice of their causes. That's why they return over and over again with the same proposal on parental notification."

Cabaldon was referring to Proposition 4, which would have required parental notification before a minor could have an abortion. It was defeated for the third time on Nov. 4.

In Omaha, the debate has been a little less heated - perhaps understandably given its distance from California and Nebraska's constitutional provision defining marriage as between a man and a woman.



Protestors braved the cold Saturday to hold signs to support gay marriage. (Tom McCauley/The Gateway)

Still, Cook and supporters are adamant that Americans recognize equal marriage as a right under the U.S. Constitution.

"This is a civil rights issue," Cook said. "This is not just a gay issue."

Steinbeck echoed her sentiments.

"Our voice should be just as powerful as everyone else's," Steinbeck said. "This is not the time to be humble. We have to stand up for the American dream."

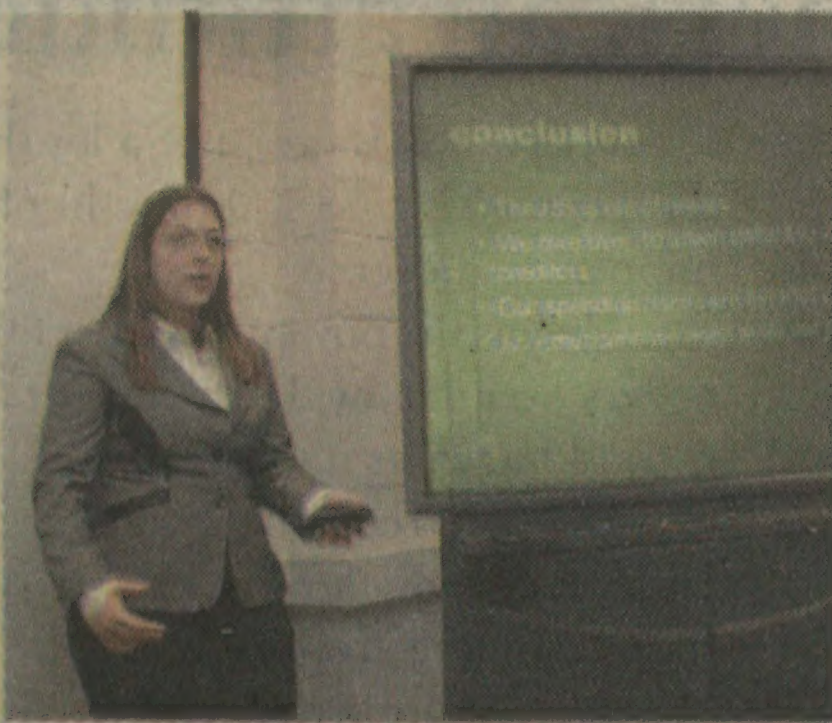
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## Nebraska Money Smart Week



**Top:** Hunter Huggins (right), an Economics Major, talks to a group about student loans on Thursday. Huggins asked the group to raise their hands if they've taken out student loans. (Mike Bell/The Gateway)

**Bottom:** Ashley Herges talks to a group during "Is the US running out of money?" presentation last Tuesday. Herges represented the UNO chapter of Students In Free Enterprise. (JUDY RYDBERG/THE GATEWAY)



## Looking at psychedelic posters' art

**Top:** Tomm Roland, coordinator of percussion studies and multicultural music at UNO, speaks Thursday in the Criss Library night about the 1970s and its effects on youth and its drug culture. His presentation included a slide show and several music clips. (ANDREA BARBE/THE GATEWAY)

**Bottom:** "Technicolor Dreaming," an exhibit of more than 30 posters on loan from the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland, Ohio, is currently on display at UNO's Criss Library. (ANDREA BARBE/THE GATEWAY)



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